IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 1 FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 2 3 CENTER FOR BIOLOGICAL 4 DIVERSITY, 5 Plaintiff, 6 v. 7 CASE NO. 3:15-cv-658-JCS U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE 8 INTERIOR; S.M.R. JEWELL, in her STATUS REPORT AND STIPULATION official capacity as Secretary of the FOR EXTENSION OF STAY 9 Interior; U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE) 10 SERVICE; DAN ASHE, Director of the) U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 11 Defendants, 12 13 CROPLIFE AMERICA, 14 Defendant-Intervenor. 15 16 17 Pursuant to the Court's November 3, 2015, Order, Dkt. No. 65, Plaintiff, the Center for 18 Biological Diversity, and Federal Defendants, the U.S. Department of the Interior, et al., and 19 Intervenor-Defendant Croplife America file the following status report and request a 7-day 20 21 extension of the current stay to allow the Parties to finalize a proposed settlement agreement, and 22 in support state: 23 1. The Parties filed their joint motion for a 60-day stay, Dkt. No. 64, on November 24 2, 2015. The Court granted that motion on November 3, 2015, staying the case through January 25 2, 2016. Dkt. No. 65. The Plaintiff and Federal Defendants next reached an agreement in 26 27 principle on December 17, 2015. Thereafter, the Court granted a 27-day extension of the stay 28 through January 29, 2016, to permit the Parties to finalize and undertake the final review and

approval process for the proposed settlement agreement. Dkt. No. 67. Most recently, on January 22, 2016, the Court granted an 18-day extension of the stay of this case through February 16, 2016. Dkt. No. 69.

- 2. The agreement in principle continues to undergo final review and approval by the appropriate supervisory officials at the Departments of Justice and the Interior. Due to the spate of winter weather causing the federal government to close for some or all of January 25-28, 2016, this process has taken slightly longer than previously anticipated. Accordingly, to preserve the Parties' and the Court's resources, the Parties request a 7-day extension of the stay of this case to allow ample time for the above-described activities.
- 3. Intervenor CropLife America ("CropLife") is aware that Plaintiff and Defendants have reached an agreement in principle. CropLife is continuing to evaluate the specific language of the draft agreement and will communicate a final position prior to the filing of the final agreement with the Court. Croplife does not object to the requested extension of the current stay.
- 4. This Court has authority to extend the current stay pursuant to its "inherent authority to control its own docket and calendar." *Yong v. INS*, 208 F.3d 1116, 1119 (9th Cir. 2000); *see also Landis v. North American Co.*, 299 U.S. 248 (1936).

THEREFORE, in light of the above, the Parties request a 7-day extension of the stay of this case, through February 23, 2016, to permit the Parties to finalize and undertake the final review and approval process for the proposed settlement agreement.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of February,

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